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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON:—F. ALGAR, 8, Clement's Lane, Lombard Street. GEORGE STOKES, 80, Cornhill. GORDON & GOSCH, 121, Holborn Hill, E.C. BATES, BEADY & Co., 4, Old Jewry, E.C. SAMUEL DRACON & Co., 150 & 164, Leadenhall Street.

NEW YORK:—ANDREW WIND, 133, Nassau Street.

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Banks.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTE DE PARIS.

INCORPORATED BY NATIONAL DECREE OF 7TH AND 8TH MARCH, 1848.

BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF 25TH JULY, 1854, AND 31ST DECEMBER, 1866.

Recognised by the INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION OF 30TH APRIL, 1862.

Francs. & Sterling.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 80,000,000 8,200,000

RESERVE FUND, 20,000,000 2,000,000

HEAD OFFICE.—14, Rue Bergère, Paris.

BRANCHES.—At Nantes, Lyons, Marseilles, Brussels, Bombay, Calcutta, St. Denis (Ile de la Réunion), Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama.

LONDON BRANCH.—Bank of England, Union Bank of London.

HONGKONG AGENCY.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the monthly minimum balance, and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained at the office.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Offices in Hongkong: Bank Buildings, Queen's Road, Hongkong, May 14, 1875.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 Dollars.

RESERVE FUND, 100,000 Dollars.

COURT OF DIRECTORS.

Chairman—AD. ANDRE, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—E. R. BEILIOS, Esq.
J. F. CORDON, Esq.
S. W. POMEROY, Esq.
H. HOFFMANN, Esq.
F. D. SASSOON, Esq.
A. MEYER, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER.

Hongkong, JAMES GREGG, Esq.

Shanghai, EWEN CAMERON, Esq.

LONDON BRANCH.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.

INTEREST ALLOWED

ON Current Deposit Accounts at the rate of 1 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:—
For 6 months, 2 per cent. per annum.
" 12 " 4 per cent. " "
" 18 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.

Credits granted on approved Securities, and every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

Drafts, granted on London, and the chief Commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.

JAMES GREGG, Chief Manager.

Offices of the Corporation, No. 1, Queen's Road East, Hongkong, January 27, 1876.

ON SALE.

THE

CHINESE READER'S MANUAL.

A HANDBOOK of Biographical, Historical, Mythological and General Literary References.

WILLIAM FREDERICK MAYER.

Price, 4s.

Shanghai, KEE & Co.

Hongkong, CHINA MAIL OFFICE.

Entertainments.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL.

UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE OF HIS EXCELLENCY SIR ARTHUR KENNEDY, K.C.M.G., G.C.B.

THE French "OPERA COMIQUE TROUPE," lately of PARIS, LONDON, ST. PETERSBURG, NEW YORK and SAIGON.

Will give their Second Performance on

This Evening, February 11th, 1876.

"Before the Wedding."

Opera Comique in One Act, by JONAS.

"LA PERICHOLE."

Opera Bouffe in Two Acts, by OFFENBACH.

CHARACTERS.

Figuillo, Street Singer, Mr. Legros

The Vicar, Mr. Pontet

La Perichole, Madame Dorville

Maitreille, Madame Dorville

Erasmouille, Madame Dorville

ADMISSION:—Dress Circle and Balcony, 2s; Back Seats, 1s.

Doors open at 8 o'clock; Performance to commence at 9.

Tickets may be had and seats secured at Messrs. KENNEDY & Co., also at the door of the Theatre, on the night of Performance.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

I have this day authorized Mr. J. Y. V. SHAW to sign my name per procura.

A. MACG. HEATON.

Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

FROM this date and until further notice, Mr. G. DE CHAMPEAUX will act, at this Port, as Agent of the above Company.

By Order of the Directors,

C. BERTRAND.

Hongkong, January 29, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE interest and responsibility of the late Mr. SIDNEY DRACON in our Firm, ceased on the 9th September last.

Mr. ALFRED T. DUVAL was admitted a Partner therein on the 1st ultimo.

DEACON & Co.

Canton, February 1, 1876.

NOTICE.

MR. OTTO GRABE has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from 1st January, 1876.

E. MEYER & Co.

Tientsin, January 1876.

NOTICE.

WE have Established branches of our Firm at Haiphong and Hanoi. Mr. E. CONSTANTIN is authorised to sign by procuration in Tonquin.

LANDSTEIN & Co.

Hongkong, December 31, 1875.

NOTICE.

MR. MEYER ELIAS SASSOON has been admitted a Partner in our Firm from the 1st January ultimo.

E. D. SASSOON & Co.

Hongkong, February 8, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Shipbrokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS.

Bank Buildings, Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

NOTICE.

HAVING resigned my situation in the Yuen Fat Hong, I have this day established myself as Merchant and Commission Agent under the style of SUN GHEE & Co.

C. SUN GHEE.

Hongkong, November 11, 1875.

Intimations.

NOTICE.

In the Estate of SIDNEY DRACON, deceased.

ALL Persons having CLAIMS against the above Estate are requested to forward the same to the Undersigned at once, and all Persons indebted to the Estate are requested to make immediate payment to

G. M. SMITH,

Attorney for the Executors.

Canton, February 1, 1876.

WANTED.

A SITUATION, by a young German, as Servant Maid, to accompany a Lady or family on route to Europe.

Terms: First Passage Home.

Address: "Home passage," care of the China Mail Office.

Hongkong, February 9, 1876.

Intimations.

WANTED.

A CAPTAIN for STRAM-TWO "FAME." Apply to the Secretary, Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Limited.

D. GILLIES, Secretary.

Hongkong, February 7, 1876.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in the Corporation will be held at the CITY HALL, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 17th current, at Two o'clock p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1875.

By Order of the Board of Directors, JAMES GREGG, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 8, 1876.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from the 7th to the 17th current, (both days included), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, JAMES GREGG, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, February 8, 1876.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Seventh Ordinary Annual Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at the Office of the Company, No. 7, Queen's Road, on THURSDAY, the 17th FEBRUARY next, at three o'clock in the afternoon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to 31st DECEMBER 1875, the Report of the General Managers, and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, January 17, 1876.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th February Next, both days included.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

Hongkong, January 17, 1876.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Seventh Ordinary MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, 39, Queen's Road, Victoria, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of FRIDAY, the 18th February Next, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts, and the Report of the Directors, for the Year ending 31st December, 1875.

The Transfer BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 18th February, both days inclusive.

By Order, JAS. B. COUGHRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 28, 1876.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Dividend, at the rate of 4% or 8% per Share, declared at the Ordinary Half-yearly Meeting of Shareholders held This Day, will be payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on and after THURSDAY, the 27th Instant. Shareholders are requested to apply at the Office of the Company for Warrants.

By Order of the Board of Directors, F. A. DA COSTA, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 24, 1876.

NOTIFICATION.

A COPY of the Jury List for 1876 is posted at the Supreme Court House for inspection. Notice of any inaccuracies, omissions, objections, &c., must be given to the Registrar or before MONDAY, the 14th day of February A.D., 1876, in accordance with the provisions of Section 6 of Ordinance No. 11 of 1868.

It is further notified that no person whose name is on the list as a Juror will be exempted from service on the ground of any exemption to which he may be entitled, or on the ground of any want of qualification, unless such exemption shall have been claimed and established, or such want of qualification duly proved, at or before the time above specified.

F. S. HURFAM, Deputy Registrar.

Hongkong, January 24, 1876.

For Sale.

TAKASIMA COLLIERY.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

FOR SALE.

FRESH Takasima COAL, in lots to suit purchasers. Large Handpicked, Double-screened at \$8 per Ton. Small, at \$6 per Ton.

Apply to T. G. GLOVER, No. 7, Queen's Road and at East Point, Hongkong, December 8, 1875.

FOR SALE.

BAHREY'S PATENT COMPOSITION PAINT, For Ships' Bottoms.

Sole Agents for China, F. BLACKHEAD & Co.

Hongkong, January 8, 1876.

DUO DE MONTEBELLO CARTE BLANCHE CHAMPAGNE.

Quarts, \$15 per case (12 bottles); Pints, \$18 per case (12 bottles); 5 per cent. discount on 25 cases.

Shipment WHISKY, \$12 per case (1 dozen).

For SALE BY ERARD & Co., Hongkong, June 28, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR MANILA.

The Steamship "SEMPER PARATUS" will be despatched for the above Port on SATURDAY, the 12th Instant, at 11 a.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to A. MACG. HEATON, Agent.

Hongkong, February 9, 1876.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The British Steamship "HINDOSTAN," T. S. GARDNER, Commander, will leave this for the above Ports on SATURDAY Next, the 12th Instant, at 3 p.m.

Despatches will close at 2.30 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 4, 1876.

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

The Steamship "ANGEL," Captain DAVID SCOTT, will leave for the above Ports on SATURDAY, the 12th Instant, at 3 p.m.

Despatches will close at 2.30 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 4, 1876.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FUOOHOW.

The Steamship "YESSO," Captain PYNCHAB, will be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 13th Instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS-LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, February 9, 1876.

FOR COOKTOWN, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

The Eastern and Australian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BOWEN," Captain S. PARK, will be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 18th Instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, February 11, 1876.

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S.S. "SUNDA," will leave for the above place shortly after the arrival of the Lombardy with the next English Mail.

A. MEYER, Superintendant.

Hongkong, February 4, 1876.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

(Taking Cargo at through rates for NAGASAKI & HIOGO.)

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S.S. "LOMBARDY," will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the next English Mail.

A. MEYER, Superintendant.

Hongkong, February 4, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

NOTICE.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.

The Company's Steamship "PHIHO," Captain LECOMTE, will be despatched for SHANGHAI on SATURDAY, the 12th, at 10 a.m.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, February 10, 1876.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA SUEZ CANAL.

The Company's Steamship "ULYSSES," will be despatched on or about the 17th Instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, February 8, 1876.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON.

The A-1 British Ship "SAFAH NICHOLSON," 933 Tons Register, Captain SALKER, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Sale.

CLEARANCE SALE.

SAYLE & Co. will offer, on and after **TUESDAY** Next, the 18th Instant, the remainder of their Winter Stock at Greatly Reduced Prices, consisting of:—
Winter Costumes and Polonaises.
Ladies' Jackets and Mantillas.
Fancy Dress materials of all kinds.
Wool Plaids and Flannels.
Silks and Poplins.
Wool Shawls and Cloaks.
Trimmed and Untrimmed Hats and Bonnets.
Fancy Wool Goods.
Lace and Linen Sets.
Scarves and Sashes.
Boys' Suits.
Children's Dresses.

&c., &c., &c.

VICTORIA EXCHANGE,

Queen's Road & Stanley Street.

FOR SALE.

THE UNDERMENTIONED LAND AND BUILDINGS.

AT HONGKONG.

Island Lot 82.—The well-known House and Office lately occupied by Messrs A. Heard & Co., adjoining the Cathedral Compound.

The Ground below the masonry retaining wall of the above, abutting on the Queen's Road.

Annual Crown rent, \$880.48.

Marine Lot 111, WANCHAI.—First-class and extensive Godown.

Annual Crown rent, \$324.

Island Lot 591.—Situated on the Bon-han Road and one of the finest sites for Villa residences in the Colony.

Annual Crown rent, \$79.78.

Farm Lot 17, POKEOON. adjoining Messrs Butterfield & Swire's premises.

Annual Crown rent, \$25.

AT KOWLOONG.

Marine Lot 4.—With a frontage of 100 feet on the Praya, and with an area of 80,000 feet.

Reduced Annual Crown rent, \$10.

AT YOKOHAMA.

Lots No. 6 and No. 27 in the Foreign Settlement.

No. 6 is situated on the Bund, and comprises an eight-roomed Dwelling House, detached, with Garden all round, Offices, Godowns, Servants' Quarters and Outhouses. Area 1,064 Tanbos of 36 square feet.

Annual Ground rent, \$263.78.

No. 27 is separated from No. 6 by Water Street and comprises large Tea Firing and other Godowns, Floss Silk Press, Compressor's Quarters, Stabling and Fire Engine House. Area, 654 Tanbos.

Ground rent, \$154.97 per annum.

Applications for purchase, or further information, to be made to

J. WHITTALL,
T. G. LINTHARD,
Trustees A. Heard & Co.'s Estate,
23, Queen's Road, Hongkong,
Hongkong, February 1, 1876.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Feb. 10, *Augusta Friedrich*, from Whampoa.
Feb. 11, *Penedo*, British steamer, 652, Olin, Bangkok Feb. 2, Rio and General.
—LANDSTEIN & Co.
Feb. 11, *Dora*, Spanish brig, 320, F. Yuarre, Sual Feb. 6, Rio and Sapanwood.
—H. KLEE.

DEPARTURES.

Feb. 10, *Chinkiang*, for Canton.
11, *Beethoven*, for Bangkok.
11, *Volga*, for Yokohama.
11, *Batrak*, for Shanghai.
11, *Arratoon Apoor*, for Saigon.

CLEARED.

Kate Waters, for Saigon.
Bianca Perito, for Bangkok.
Hastings, for Newchwang.
Hongkong, for Calcutta.
Norma, for Swatow.
Pernambuco, for Saigon.
Wm. H. Doss, for Manila.
Baker, for Rangoon.
Hiena, for Calcutta.
Elwary, for Cape St. James.
Naworik Ogile, for Keelung.

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTED.—Per *Batrak*, on 2nd class.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The Spanish brig *Dora* reports, fine weather throughout the passage.
The British steamer *Penedo* reports; had fine weather up to the 9th, then had fresh N.E. gales and heavy head sea. Passed a barque painted white, in ballast, beating to the Northward.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CROSS.

For **SWATOW**.—
Per *NORNA*, at 7.30 a.m. on Saturday, the 12th Instant.

For **SHANGHAI**.—
Per French Mail Packet *PRITHU*, at 8 a.m. on Saturday, the 12th Instant.

Late Letters from 9.10 to 9.30 a.m.

For **MANILA**.—
Per *ESMERALDA*, at 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 12th Instant.

For **CALLAO**.—
Per *HONGKONG*, at 2.30 p.m. To follow, the 12th Inst.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS WILL CROSS.

For **SINGAPORE, PENANG & CANTON**.—
Per Indian Mail Packet *HINDOSTAN* and *ARGYLE*, at 2.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 12th Inst.

For **SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW**.—
Per *YESSO*, at 5 p.m. on Saturday, the 12th Instant.

For **COOKTOWN**.—
Per *CITY OF EXETER*, at 1.30 p.m. on Monday, the 14th Inst., instead of as previously notified.

For **SINGAPORE, SOMERSET, COOKTOWN, OLELAND BAY, BOWEN, ROCKHAMPTON, KEPPEL BAY, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, TASMANIA AND MELBOURNE**.—
Per *BOWEN*, at 11.30 a.m. on Friday, the 18th Inst.

Per *CITY OF EXETER*, at 1.30 p.m. on Monday, the 14th Inst., instead of as previously notified.

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MEMOR. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

10 a.m.—*Pello* leaves for Shanghai.
11 a.m.—*Esmeralda* leaves for Manila.
3 p.m.—*Hindostan* leaves for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
3 p.m.—*Argyll* leaves for Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.
10 a.m.—Delivery of Goods per *Pello* may be obtained from M. M. Co.'s Godowns.

TO ADVERTISERS.

coconut stage, and it is attempted to produce their cocoons by a stricter domestication and different feeding of the worm.—*Statesman* (Calcutta).

THE Noble Savage and the Fleethen—A report which in overwhelming numbers (writes a correspondent of the *Queenslander*) the Chinese are probably the most cowardly people of the face of the earth, not even excepting our gallant allies, the Fantees, in the late Asantes war. There is something absolutely ludicrous in their terror of the blacks in the North, and in the contemptuous estimation in which they are held, as though instinctively, by the noble Australian savage, wherever they meet. A gentleman just down from the Palmer states that, when he and another reached the neighbourhood of Hell's Gate, on the road to Cocktown, they were met by several Chinamen running at the top of their speed, and in a terribly distressed condition. "One of them could speak very tolerable English, and when able to do so, informed them that a couple of blackfellows had come suddenly on their party of six, a short distance ahead, and without any ado, grappled one of their number and dragged him into the bush, the others, though armed offering no resistance, but taking to their heels without a moment's delay. The fugitives accompanied the two Europeans back to the scene of the attack, and on the road, and on the spot itself, evidence of their "bravery" were not wanting in the shape of revolvers and guns thrown away in their flight. "Everything was quiet, however, and it is supposed the Chinamen, although in poor condition, furnished material for that evening's feast. At the old Gilbert they killed as many as six at a time, down the river, and one occasion made a raid on the most populous camp of the Chinese, some half a mile from the Gilbert township; and, after sparing two or three by way of warning, deliberately denuded the camp of whatever it pleased them to take away. It was fear of the blacks alone, that three years ago, drove the Chinese, to the number of 200 or 800, from the Gilbert, where they were doing well, and at a time when they had great heaps of washdirt ready for washing as soon as the wet season commenced. All these, and a number of splendid vegetable and fruit gardens, and everything but the most portable of their household goods, were abandoned in their haste to get away. I once heard a half-civilized aboriginal patronizingly remark to a Chinaman, one day, that he'd be all the same blackfellows by-and-by!"—meaning, of course, that after a more prolonged intercourse with the blacks, he would be admitted to a tolerated companionship amongst them, if he proved worthy of it.

Police Intelligence.

(Before James Russell, Esq.)
11th February, 1876.

CHAIR-COOLIE.

Pat A. U., a chair coolie, was charged with demanding more fare than he was entitled to. Mr. J. S. Nazer, an assistant in the firm of Messrs. Inglis & Co., engaged the chair to go to several places, but defendant left before the engagement terminated. The next thing he did was to demand payment, when he was offered 10 cents; this he refused, and he was consequently taken up. Fined 10 cents.

DRUNKENNESS.

Herbert Thorne, seaman on board the S. S. *Ocean*, was fined 25 cents for lying drunk in Caine Road. Frederick Grap, seaman unemployed, was found drunk and quarrelsome in the street. Fined 50 cents.

DISORDERLY CONDUCT.

Adam Gardner, seaman S. S. *Sunda*, was charged with attempting to go into the Government Civil Hospital without permission after striking the Chinese gatekeeper. The defendant stated that he had had some drink and wanted to have his head dressed. He thought he had only to go and get it done. Discharged.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Chan Angau, a coolie, was charged with having unlawful possession of two pieces of iron, and was fined \$5.

LARCENY.

Cheung Aki, a horse-boy, was charged with stealing some jewellery from Mr. E. Moore. The defendant was recognised by the pawnbroker as the man who pledged the studs. He told the pawnbroker that his master had sent him to pawn them for \$3. The defendant was found on Mr. Moore's premises on the day the robbery was discovered. He was taken to the Station, but was discharged in consequence of his not being known to the Police. From information subsequently received he was re-arrested. The defendant said the servant Lee Aki asked him to pawn the studs. Remanded till the 14th inst.

A CAREFUL PAWN-BROKER.

Mui Ayow and four others were again brought up for the unlawful possession of a gold watch. Since the remand circumstances were revealed shewing that a burglary had been committed on a house in Macao, and that the watch formed part of the booty. Four other prisoners were also placed at the bar, charged with being concerned in the burglary. It appeared that the house robbed belonged to one Lo Ah, who was formerly a companion of Messrs. Ellis & Co. at Amoy, and that the watch was presented to him by his employees, hence the inscription "J. E. & Co. 1868." A report of the robbery was made to the Macao authorities, and three of the servants in the house were in custody. After a deal of evidence was taken, Mr. May further remanded the case till the 18th inst.

SUPREME COURT.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.
(Before His Lordship Chief Justice Sir JOHN SMITH.)
11th February, 1876.

Sheffer v. Ally A. Dalbasah, \$113.63.—This was a claim for the value of 218 baskets of Bombay Onions sold to the defendant. The claim was resisted on the ground that the onions were not sold to him, but that they were placed in his hands for sale on commission. Several witnesses were called on both sides, and among those for the plaintiff was the second employee of the F.

O. steamer *Coombien*, who appeared to have entered into a joint speculation with the steering of the firemen in the purchase of some onions for this market. In the end, his Lordship gave judgment for the plaintiff, and severely reprimanded the defendant. He would have sent him to prison for perjury, but for a corroboration of his testimony by one witness, and this circumstance raised a doubt in his mind.

Mr. Dennis appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Wotton for the defendant.

Kirchmann v. R. Kentwell, \$55.—This was a claim by a public house keeper—the proprietor of the "Land We Live In" Tavern—for refreshments supplied in 1874.

Mr. Johnson appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. Holmes for the defendant.

Mr. Holmes stated that his client bore the command of the steamer *Yot-sai*, which plied between Canton and Hongkong, was unable to look into the plaintiff's books, which were kept in Messrs. Sharp's office, which was shut when the steamer arrived.

Since then the defendant had gone to Macao, and Mr. Holmes would leave the matter in the hands of the Court.

Mr. Johnson thought this was only an attempt to gain time.

His Lordship asked the defendant to pay the amount in Court or to give security.

Mr. Holmes left the Court to make arrangements. Later on the defendant appeared in Court, and the case was proceeded with.

The defendant admitted that something was due, but the amount was disputed as being in excess of the refreshment supplied. After the plaintiff had been examined, His Lordship asked whether it would not be better that the plaintiff and defendant should settle the case amicably as the parties appeared to have been friends; the defendant's offer of \$30, however, not being accepted, the case proceeded.

Ct. Capt. Kooh was called and proved that beer had been supplied, also that the defendant spoke of owing the plaintiff more.

C. Petersen, an innkeeper, was also examined, and stated he had seen beer supplied to the defendant in the plaintiff's tavern.

The case was eventually adjourned, so that the barkeeper shall attend to give evidence in the case, or that a commission should issue to take his evidence, the man in question being in Japan.

IN PROBATE.

In the goods of Yung Lee Shee otherwise Ko Shing Kwai, a petition to prove Will. Granted. Mr. Sharp appeared for the petitioner.

In the goods of Luey Long Pat, petition for letters of probate. Granted.

In the goods of Pow Atal otherwise Pow Man Ohien, petition for letters of probate. Granted.

In the goods of Ohn Tee, petition for letters of probate. It appeared that there was only one witness to the will, and his Lordship asked what was the law in China on the subject.

Mr. Brewster, who appeared for the petitioner, said he had sought the opinion of Dr. Kikel on the point, and had received a long letter from him.

The letter was then handed into Court, but it was not read out.

Mr. Tomchoy here came in, and said there was no law in China about wills; it was only a matter of custom with the Chinese. The elders of a village were generally appealed to in a case like this.

Finally his Lordship adjourned the application.

In the goods of J. D. Smith, Ah Fong, and Leong Look, the official administrator applied for letters of administration. Granted.

China.

MINOR.
(Courier Correspondence.)
Feb. 8, 1876.

Dull weather just now. It has been drizzle, drizzle night and day since the 1st. The *Monaco* left here last Saturday for your port. It was expected that we should be favoured with her company for another month at least, but orders were unexpectedly received by her commander to repair at once to Shanghai. While here her men conducted themselves in a sober and orderly manner, and we shall miss them much, now that they have gone. To-morrow the Chinese Spring Festival, and the Custom House will be closed for one day. H. E. the Tao-tai has departed on a visit to Hangchow. He left yesterday, and will be absent about two or three weeks. He was accompanied by about forty mandarin gunboats.

SHANGHAI.

(N. C. D. News.)
Some of the excursionists who ate away on distant trips during the New Year holidays, are beginning to return with the accoutrements that might have been expected, of furs and foot-travel. One party was frozen in three days, escaping on the two first, but being fairly impounded on the third occasion. This last was on the canal between Soochow and Quinsan, where they concluded to leave the boat, and, taking three coolies to carry some food and blankets, to walk back to Shanghai.

The distance traversed was estimated at 60 miles, and occupied a little over two days, involving two nights sleeping in Chinese houses on the way. Naturally they had to travel light, and took as little food as possible, hoping to supplement it on the way; but the hope was found nearly a vain one. The districts round Quinsan and Taitsang were depopulated during the rebellion, and though they are now generally brought back under cultivation, the process has been slow and the people are wretchedly poor. The first night was passed in a place where there was no inn, and where a shelter was found in a shanty with a straw roof, which was closed only by a bamboo door. The night was very cold, and there were no clothes

in the neighborhood, and he only fastened it by putting a stifle against it at night. Every one in the neighborhood was poor, and knew that he was so; so he had no fear of being molested. The bed consisted of a few straw mats spread on the earthen floor. The people were very civil, as they are generally found to be by all excursionists. But while the country is recovering very slowly, every year showing a slight increase in population and improvement in cultivation, some of the towns, such as Nanking and Kading, which were prosperous before the rebellion, are getting back more rapidly to their former condition. Near Nanking, wheel-barrows were obtained, on which to transport the bedding, &c., and on one of which a little boy, who was one of the party, and who had gallantly done his 25 miles on the first day, got a useful lift.

The abandoned boat arrived in Shanghai a few days after the others, having been released by the cortege of a Taitsang Mandarin who had occasion to go to Soochow, and was travelling with sufficient attendants to smash through the ice and clear a way. One party, which is supposed to have been frozen in on the Grand Canal above Kia-shing and was to have been back last week, has not yet returned. But they are known to have kept to their boats. Another party of four gentlemen, which left Shanghai on the 22nd January last in a house-boat, on a shooting excursion, met with severe weather. On the 28th they were frozen in near Ping-yu, remained so for five days, and ran short of coals and provisions. Coals were however, procured by a requisition upon a native boat, coal-frozen in. Things were looking serious, and eventually they were compelled to manufacture rafts of hard wood with bamboo handles, and with these to break the ice, which was 3 inches thick, without any assistance from the natives, for a distance of 4 k. During the detention, a fine specimen of the grey fox was shot by one of the party, and has since been sent to the Shanghai Museum. The "bag" consisted of thirteen deer, one hundred and fifty pheasants, a quantity of quail, &c.—We hear of another party which got frozen and snowed up in the Mei-chee creek, but they were well supplied, and escaped after a couple of days' detention.

—*News.*

(Courier and Gazette.)
The Peking Gazette of the 19th day of the 12th month announces that Li Han-chang has been promoted to the Viceroyalty of Szechuen, the duties of which are now discharged vicariously by a Manchurian named Weng-kên. Li at present holds the post of Viceroy of the Hu Kwang; and during his absence on the Yunnan Commission his place is taken by the Fu-tai of those provinces, Wong Tung-tai.

The One-hundred play, leading part in a very comical opera, called the Welcomes of the Spring. He proceeds in state to Kaou-chang-nsoo, where he pays his respects to some powerful abstraction connected with the Buddhist Olympus; after which he is solemnly introduced to a large cow, constructed by a blind man out of an assortment of variously coloured squares of paper. The object of this animal being put together by a blind man is that he may not see what colours are appropriated to the different parts of the body; and the selection he makes is supposed to involve certain specific omens of a more or less favourable nature. This monster, which boasts possibly a red back, a blue stomach, a yellow tail and green legs, is then carried in procession to the yamen of the enlightened magistrate, and placed in the central hall; after which it is solemnly thrashed with whips until the whole of the structure is torn to pieces. By way, we suppose, of representing the fecundity of spring, the animal being intended as a figure of that season—it is previously packed full of smaller editions of its own monstrous self, which are now taken out of the framework, and generally sent to the Tao-tai, or some neighbouring official. But what the Tao-tai is supposed to do with them we have no idea.

—*News.*

IDENTITY.
(N. O. D. News.)
If one is in search of "News," my advice would be, not to come to Tientsin, especially at this season of the year. It is something that always flies away, and it is too cold to manufacture any, and so the supply runs low.

Excepting occasional windy days, when the dust made itself rather conspicuous, we have had delightful weather since I last wrote you. We had a few mild days about two weeks ago, which so melted the ice as to make it very unsafe. We heard of several Chinese being drowned as a result of their carelessness in venturing on it. Skating is again lively on the "Link."

There are two events of interest to report. One is the successful completion and trials of the dredging machine, on which Messrs. Hill, Hammett, and Rogers have been at work for so long. The first trial was on the 30th of Dec. All parts of the machinery were found to be in fine working order, and gave perfect satisfaction. Just at the last, however, a slight disarrangement of some unimportant part, which was not observed at the time, caused a break, which delayed operations for a couple of days. Other trials followed, with the dredger was subjected to very severe tests of its strength in breaking up and lifting the heavily frozen earth and ice at the water's edge, as well as dipping mud from the bed of the river. On the 9th the Chinese commenced cutting a road through the ice, so as to drop the machine down to the mouth of Powdermill Creek. Its first work is to be that of deepening the channel of this creek.

The machinery is from Tarbitok Bros., Troy, N. Y., and is very powerful. Every part seems to act with the utmost precision.

Another event of importance, especially to seamen coming to this port, was the successful opening of the Tientsin Temperance Hall, on Tuesday evening, Jan. 11th. The exercises consisted of singing, addresses by the Chairman of the evening, and the President of the Temperance Society, Treasurer's report, reading the constitution and bye-laws by the Secretary, and several selected readings.

It is not quite a year since the Society began to solicit subscriptions for this enterprise. The favor with which the project met was greater than was anticipated, the number who declined to aid in the effort to benefit seamen being comparatively few. The objects of the institution and of the Society were forcibly set forth by the Chairman, the Rev. J. K. Moore. The necessity for the erection of such a building and for such uses, was shown by the brief historical sketch of temperance work in Tientsin, given by the President, Rev. C. A. Stanley. Work among the seamen, his Lordship, could not in the autumn of 1870. The London Mission Society gave them the use of a small building, which they had occupied ever since.

—*News.*

work the Missionaries found an earnest and efficient co-worker in Mr. E. Wheatley, now of Ningpo. The Tientsin Temperance Society was organized March 1st, 1872. Incidents and statistics were given, showing how the work had progressed from year to year, and on the various gumbats, and how, from the small beginning in Tientsin in 1870-71, it had extended over China and Japan, till now in Tientsin alone 500 converts from intemperance to teetotal principles had been made; and that quite 400 seamen have been in the habit of reporting to the small room provided for them during these five years. The necessity of a larger room, and one better adapted to its wants had long been felt, but the way did not seem open sooner to accomplish the desire of the Society.

The building stands just outside the limits of the Foreign Settlement opposite the end of the street, leading from the bund, which separates the British and French Concessions, is visible from the bund, and distant about one-eighth of a mile. It is a two-story building 37 by 25 in the clear, containing a Hall above, capable of seating over 100 persons comfortably; and below, a sailor's room, library, and reading-room. Necessary outbuildings are provided at the back. As a treasurer's statement is to be issued shortly, I will only add that the contractor's bill, as per statement read, for buildings, was Tls. 1,342.00.

—*News.*

NEWBORN.
Messrs. Bush Brothers write on the 3rd January:—Business is stagnant, and we do not look for a revival till after China New Year. Malaya.—The quotation is nominally Tls. 510 a 520, with slow delivery. Exports.—Large quantities of produce daily arrive from the interior, but rates remain unusually high. Beans, Tls. 3.50 per 100 lbs; Peas, Tls. 2.75 per 800 cwt; Oil, Tls. 3.25 per 95 cwt;—cash, delivery in the spring. We are without letters from the South, since the 15th ult., although the first courier returned from Peking on the 28th ult.

—*News.*

Japan.
(Japan Gazette.)
A native paper has the following:—According to good information, there is no truth in the statement that the Koreans made an attack upon our settlement, and that Mr. Hirotsu has been killed by them. Mr. Kuroda, Envoy Extraordinary, and Mr. Inouye, Vice-Envoy, indeed arrived at Fusan on the afternoon of the 16th instant. The *Nishin, Mooshin, Genbu*, and five other vessels, which escorted them, are displaying our flag in the harbour of Fusan. But the native inhabitants seem to pay no attention to them. As most of them are yet ignorant of the outrage in the Bay of Kôka, upon the *Unyokosen*, they consider the arrival of our war-vessel a very strange thing. The public and private letters from the two Envoys and their followers, which reached here some days ago, conveyed no information of any attack.

We have also obtained the following intelligence. The departure of Mr. Yamagata to Shimonsuiki is not attributed to information received from the Envoys. If they fail to accomplish their mission peacefully, the Government will send troops, after declaring war against the Koreans. Though they are not able to stand against us, yet we cannot complete their submission with such a small army as that of the Formosa expedition. In order to make a useful preparation, the War Minister has left for Shimonsuiki. His going there was determined on by the Government during last month.

It is not a false rumor, however, that the Envoys have requested the Government to send two battalions after them. But this was not the cause of his departure, because the Government has not yet ordered the War Department to send them.

The Japanese Government gave the Envoys no authority to declare war against the Koreans. Even if they are not well received by them, or allowed to accomplish their mission, their power is limited to report the fact to the Government, which will decide whether to declare war or not.

Such is the information we have received. We regret the misstatement of yesterday, which we hope our readers will pardon.

Yesterday, we have also said that we had no time to distinguish the difference between the Envoy who is sent to enquire into the cause of the outrage and the troops to punish it. But we are glad to find that the cord of friendship between Japan and Korea is not yet entirely severed.

A confiscation recently broke out in Osaka, which destroyed all the buildings on an area of 213,000 square feet. On the following day, another fire broke out and burned four houses to the ground.

During last month, a branch office of the Whale fishing company, "Kaikyoku," was established at Shiba Sannai, Tokio. Its manager Okudumi, intends to send the *Shinkai-Maru* to the Bonin Islands for the first time about the 18th instant. The ship is commanded by Nakahama-Nanjiro.

The *Mainichi Shinbun* says that the envoy who went to Korea as the forerunner of Kuroda has returned with the news that the Koreans have refused to receive the Envoy Extraordinary, and that they are ready to take up arms against us.

Three hundred and fifty pupils in all are to be admitted to the Sailors' training school of the M.B.M.S.S. Co. One hundred and fifty pupils have been already admitted having passed the examination; forty of these are to be chosen as pupil-teachers.

The following remarks on Mr. Black's native paper appear in the *Choya Shinbun*, of Jan. 28:—Since a paper called the *Banboku Shinbun* was started by Mr. Black, an Englishman, and made its appearance in Tokio, it was questioned whether the newspaper regulations would affect it. But our Government did interfere with it, and request of Mr. Black to appear before the *Shimbun*, and forbade Mr. Hino and other Japanese to do anything whatever for the paper. We cannot understand what object the Government has to stop the paper. Rumor says that Mr. Black has memorialized the *Shimbun* on what subject is not known. But it probably is that the Japanese Government has violated the treaty by interfering with a foreigner's business. What reason in justice would be given him by the Government, if it turns out to be so? According to the 8th article of the treaty, Japanese officers cannot prevent foreigners from employing Japanese. Besides this, Mr. Black lives under the powerful clause of extrajurisdiction (among Japanese), and defies our independent empire. Now, we hope that the Government officials will do their utmost to alter such an important treaty.

—*News.*

daily lessons, and that the Foreign community may be almost said to be free from it. Since our last publication, however, we regret to state a foreigner, Mr. Hurdle, late, light-house keeper, succumbed to its virulence. The natives still suffer much. The weather is most favorable for its total extermination.—Our readers will remember that the *Peng On*, a favourite trading steamer between this port and Shanghai, suffered severely from the terrific storm she encountered on her previous trip. On her arrival at the latter port she received a thorough renewal, resumed her regular station, and arrived here after a splendid run, on last Monday morning. Quick work was the order of despatch and she started back again early on Wednesday morning. Captain Popp, her commander, who is universally esteemed, was very cordially greeted by the foreign community, as a rumour had been circulated that the hurricane had seriously injured him. Although severely hailed, we are glad to say that Captain Popp is like Richard "himself again." As no more careful, prudent and skilful navigator sails on this or any other coast, the *Peng On*, so far as the Nagasaki and Shanghai trade is concerned, bids fair to be a formidable mote in the eyes of the Mitsui Bishi.—At the present time Nagasaki appears to be literally infested with Japanese burglars. No stone is so tightly fixed, no window so well protected, nor any door so safely secured as to prevent these thieving rascals from effecting an entrance. A New Year's call has been made by this marauding fraternity to the house of Captain Sir J. H. Russell, Auctioneer, and to the *Cosmopolitan Press* office, and in each case, the ruffianly gang instead of leaving their cards, left their mark by the rule of abstraction. In one place it must have taken the thieves fully three hours to gain admittance, and we may naturally enquire where were the police? It certainly seems absurd to ask such a question, as to find a policeman when wanted would be a surprise equal to seeing holy water in an orange lodge. The best policeman is a little lead backed by a few grains of an explosive matter, which if administered once has a wonderful effect on the recipient.—*Cosmopolitan Press.*

—*News.*

The Governor of Nagasaki has issued a notification to the effect that, in consequence of prevalence of small-pox in the town and surrounding country, vaccination will be dispensed at the temple of Koyei-ji, which is situated in Oke-ya-machi. The operation will be performed every two days in eight, commencing on the 21st instant. His Excellency has also courteously announced that any foreigners wishing to be vaccinated will obtain admittance to the temple for that purpose by making application at the Kencho.—Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, the "Fire-flies" gave a Ball in the Town Hall on Wednesday night. The day had been exceedingly wet, and the night was sufficient to damp the ardour of the most zealous lovers of dancing. The ladies, however, were not to be so easily deterred from an evening's social enjoyment; and of course the gentlemen cared but little for such a trifling obstacle as a wet night. The Ball was a thorough success in every respect, and dancing was kept up with much spirit till the small hours.—The American flag ship *Tennessee*, was to have sailed for Shanghai on Wednesday last, but the weather being unpropitious, she did not start until the following morning. About 11 a.m. the anchor was raised, the Band meanwhile playing "The Girl I left behind me." The big ship was soon under weigh, and when passing the Russian man-of-war the *Band* struck up the Russian "National Anthem," and when opposite H.B.M. *Swiner* changed the tune to "God save the Queen."

The *Tennessee* will make the passage leisurely in order to exercise at target practice with the large guns, besides manoeuvring under steam and sail. It is uncertain when she will return.—*Rising Sun.*

LIUCHIU.
The anchorage in Nafa Roads, off the great Liuchiu and about a mile from the shore, is an open one, and though partly protected from the extreme violence of the sea by coral reefs on the outside, it is not at all a safe place for a vessel. There is a small lagoon or harbour in shore, which is, however, available for only small steamers and native vessels of light draught. At the time of our informant's visit there were in harbour (without cargoes) several large sized junks used for the coasting trade which resemble the Chinese far more than the Japanese model, and are ornamental, Chinese fashion, with eyes on the prow.

Some of the people are rather good-looking, and noble in appearance, but unfortunately amongst which latter are unfortunately the women. The men much resemble the Chinese, though there is also a trace of the Jewish type present in their features. The women do all the trade that is carried on and assemble in the market place at market hours. Beyond this there is no "shop-keeping" and would be purchasers of anything sent for the vendor and his wares. The only money current on the island is cash and the people are very much averse to taking any other coin, whether gold, silver or copper. The women do not blacken their teeth on marriage, but tattoo the backs of their hands by degrees instead, so that an observer can find out how long a woman has been married by the state of her hands. They dress their hair in a roll, fastened by a single pin; it is thus kept well on the top of the head and serves as a cushion on which to balance the goods they carry. The men do not shave their heads, but dress their hair somewhat after the old Japanese fashion, and in the end of the *Waga* insert a pin with a star in front. The streets are straight and clean; the houses are built of wood in the Japanese style and are clap-boarded. Owing to the prevalence of strong winds it has been found necessary to provide additional protection for the dwellings, and round each house is built a wall of common grey coral taken from the reefs. These walls are seven or eight feet high and over a yard in thickness. An entrance way is defended on the inside by a screen of like material, in the same way as may often be seen in Japanese dom-pagoda, so that it is impossible for a passer by to see more than the roofs of the houses. The country is extremely well cultivated, and almost all the Japanese vegetables and fruits are grown. Rice, however, gives way to sugar, which, as is well known, is the great export and source of income.

The people, though at first very curious as to the appearance and ways of the foreigners, soon resumed their natural civility and tap into their houses as they

strangers approached. They seemed to hold the Satsuma officials in great awe and respect, honouring them with a "kotow" whenever they met them. There are no longer any Chinese on the island, and so strict is the guard kept to prevent their re-advent that the officers of a Japanese merchant steamer which was loading in Kagoshima for the Liuchiu were compelled by the officials to discharge their Chinese cool, and do the best they could with the makeshift Japanese. On dit that the Liuchiu choons have themselves no objection to the presence of the tail-bearers, but that the Satsuma clan carry out their conservative policy of exclusion where and as far as they have the power.—*Hogo News.*

A SAINT'S WINE BILL.
A curious document has just been discovered relative to the journey of St. Francis de Paul, when at the orders of King Louis XI. he returned from Naples to the Chateau de Plessis-les-Tours. This is none other than the "little bill" of Master Guioi Vaohard, mine host of the Griffin, at Lyons, who had the orders of the town council to find the holy man asylum for the night. The *Nord* reproduces in the antique French of the time of Philippe de Commines that part of the bill which relates to the wine, and from this it appears that, considering that the month was April, the saint's escort kept up a very respectable thirst. The captain Guioi led off by swallowing two quarts on dismounting from his horse, after which he sat down to breakfast and absorbed two quarts more. The example was not lost upon his followers, who at once commenced a raid upon the quarries, which evidently imported the good Vaohard and his wife Antonette. Here is his list: Item, 2 quarts of claret. Item, 9 quarts at dinner when they arrived. Item, for himself at dinner, 3 quarts. Item, a supper, 7 quarts of wine. Item, 2 quarts, Item, 8 quarts more. Item, 4 quarts more, after supper, "very late." Item, 6 quarts more for after dinner, "quand messieurs le capitaine et maître d'hôtel voulaient souper." Item, 2 quarts before supper. Item, 2 quarts more before supper. Item, 4 quarts more on going away, for any one who wanted to drink. Total, 60 quarts. To serve this wine Vaohard had to buy three dozen glasses, of which there are, says he dolefully, "deux douzaines de perdues." This last item tells its own story. In beautiful contrast to all this riot we have the saint remaining in his travelling carriage, making a meal of raisins and roast apples, with a little deal.

—*News.*

Quotations.
HONGKONG, Feb. 11, 1876.
OPIUM.—New Patna, cash, 663 1/2
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credit, 570
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SALTPETRE, ... 5 a 6 1/2

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Bank, 6 months' sight, ... 8 1/2
Credit, 6 months' sight, ... 8 1/2 a 4
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Bombay, demand, ... 8 2 1/2
Shanghai, demand, ... 7 1/2
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Do. 4 P.M., ... 62 1/2
Do. Maximum, ... 62 1/2
Do. Minimum over night, ... 55 1/2
BAROMETER.—9 A.M., ... 30.290
Do. 4 P.M., ... 30.164

Shipping Intelligence.
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The following is given in the *London & China Express*, dated December 31:—
DEPARTURES.
Dec. 20, Stad Amsterdam (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai and Yokohama.
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